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her boyfriend — 25 years  
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I help him fix a BMW  
mechanic, he says.

— SAMUEL JONES

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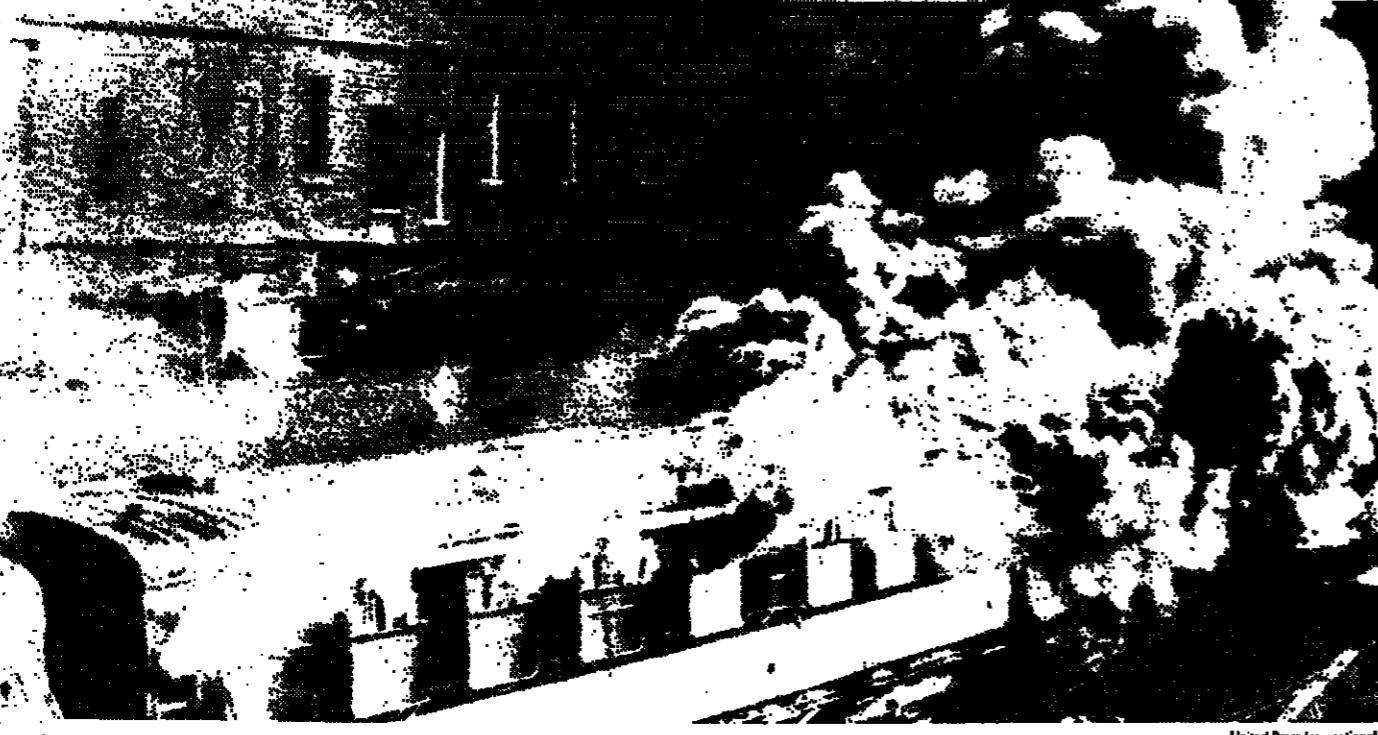
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Smoke and flames pour from the Dublin-Belfast "Shopper's Express" after several bombs exploded on board.

## Passenger Killed, 3 Seriously Injured

## Bombs Explode on Dublin-Belfast Express

BELFAST, Oct. 12 (UPI) — Four bombs exploded today in quick succession on the crowded Dublin-Belfast "Shopper's Express" just before it pulled into Belfast's busy central station, killing one passenger and seriously injuring three others, police said.

German Police blamed the IRA's Provisional Wing for the attack on the day tourist Roland Buchta of West Germany was killed.

seven-car train. Thirty persons were treated at hospitals for superficial cuts and bruises. They were later released.

The blasts rocked the middle three cars and set them afire as the morning "Shopper's Express" — carrying many women on shopping trips to Belfast — pulled out of Belfast's Botanic station, two miles before its scheduled stop at Central Station.

Bombs exploded in a dining car and a lavatory, witnesses said. The driver slammed on the brakes and a passenger yanked the emergency cord. Two more bombs exploded as passengers jumped from the burning cars.

Passengers, many bleeding,

stumbled along the tracks onto a main road where they waved down passing cars to take them to hospitals.

Lord Killanin, president of the International Olympic Committee, was among the passengers, but he managed to get off the burning train unharmed.

"One woman was covered in blood and people were shouting for help and crying for nurses and doctors," said Colum Keane, who boarded the train in Dublin with 150 others.

"There was panic everywhere," he said. "It was terrible."

As firemen fought the blaze, nurses and doctors ran onto the tracks to help the injured, witnesses said.

Reported Ann McCarty, the Belfast correspondent for the Guardian, who was aboard one of the damaged cars: "Sections of the carriage about 8 feet long were blasted away completely," she said. "At least three women were hurt [on that car], two of them seriously."

Anonymous Warning

Two hours after the train left Dublin, an anonymous caller telephoned the Samaritan Organization — a hotline service for persons in distress — and warned that 10 bombs had been placed aboard, timed to go off as it pulled into Central Station, 25 minutes later.

Police went to the tracks but the train was late, which prevented the explosions from causing more casualties at the crowded central depot.

Every ambulance available in Belfast and private cars took the injured to two of the city's biggest hospitals: The City Hospital near the scene of the explosion and Royal Victoria Hospital, where special emergency services were set up to handle the victims.

Two hours after the train attack, a bomb exploded in a railway signal box four miles south of Belfast at Dumbury. A warning had been telephoned to the Samaritans and the area was cleared. The blast destroyed the box, but no one was injured.

A newspaper close to the Syrian government said that Mr. Sarkis and Damascus had tentatively settled on a detailed plan for ending eight months of fighting between Syrian troops that ended the civil war and Israeli-backed Christian right-wing militias. The clashes exploded last week into fighting even more intense than that of the 1973 civil war.

Syrian President Hafez al-Assad said that Mr. Sarkis "did not leave

## Carter Vows Central Mideast Role

# Egypt-Israel Treaty Talks Start With 'Good Progress'

By Fred Farris

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (IHT) — President Carter, opening peace-treaty talks here between Egypt and Israel, gave new guarantees today of a central U.S. role in settlement of both the West Bank and Sinai problems in the Middle East.

"The United States is committed, without reservation, to seeing this process through until each party is at peace with all the others," Mr. Carter said at a White House ceremony opening the negotiations.

A spokesman said "good progress was made" after the opening sessions at Blair House, the heavily guarded VIP residence where U.S., Israeli and Egyptian envoys gathered to turn the Camp David summit accords into a peace treaty at Blair House.

The spokesman said the three delegations conferred as a group for well over two hours, including a 75-minute working lunch. The Israeli and Egyptian delegations also met separately with U.S. negotiators before the talks recessed for the evening.

Speaking after meeting with the two delegation chiefs, U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance said it was a "good meeting." Asked if substantive progress was made, he replied "Yes."

The president invited Jordan, the Palestinian Arabs and "others" to join the peace process stemming from the Camp David accords, despite the denunciations of the agreements by some Arab states and the reluctance of others to become involved.

Mr. Carter said the goal of the peace process is "to make peace and dignity a reality for all the people in the Middle East."

While Israeli Foreign Minister Moshe Dayan said his government hoped the negotiations finally would produce a peace treaty with Egypt, the head of the Egyptian delegation, Kamal Hassan Ali, stressed that an ultimate settlement must secure "the legitimate rights of the Palestinian people and enable them to play a constructive role in the Middle East."

Mr. Ali, the new defense minister in President Anwar Sadat's government, said Egypt would encourage other Arab governments to join in the search for an overall settlement.

He expressed Egypt's view that the United States is responsible for making sure that a comprehensive settlement in all its parts is the final result of the Camp David accords. He called Mr. Carter "a full partner" in the quest.

Both Mr. Dayan and Mr. Ali, as well as Mr. Carter, referred to obstacles still in the way of agreement as the two Mideast delegations, under U.S. sponsorship, prepared to begin formal talks on an Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty at Blair House.

Former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, who negotiated the first Egyptian-Israeli agreement, attended the ceremony as a guest. He called the Camp David and Blair House negotiations "the breakthrough toward general peace in the Middle East."

Mr. Kissinger said, "It seems to me all the essential issues have been settled and all that's left is the details."

The talks are expected to continue here for perhaps two weeks, with the

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President Carter applauds as Israel's Moshe Dayan, left, shakes hands with Egypt's Kamel Hassan Ali.

## Sarkis Returns From Arab Tour

## Firing Sporadic in Beirut as Hope of Pact Reported

BEIRUT, Oct. 12 (UPI) — Sporadic shell and sniper bursts strained Beirut's "very precarious" cease-fire today but President Elias Sarkis returned from an Arab diplomatic tour with hope of ending the city's worst violence ever.

A newspaper close to the Syrian government said that Mr. Sarkis and Damascus had tentatively settled on a detailed plan for ending eight months of fighting between Syrian troops that ended the civil war and Israeli-backed Christian right-wing militias. The clashes exploded last week into fighting even more intense than that of the 1973 civil war.

Syrian President Hafez al-Assad said that Mr. Sarkis "did not leave

empty-handed" from talks during the last week in Damascus, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Kuwait and Jordan.

A senior United Nations envoy, Sadruddin Aga Khan, referring to the rifle, machine-gun and occasional shell bursts that continued to plague the Christian eastern sector of Beirut to Christian areas of the north, witnesses said. There was also sniper fire along the dividing line between the east and the mainly Moslem western part of the city.

No casualty figures were available.

Near the Christian southeast suburb of Sin el-Fil, an explosive shell fired by snipers set a parked car afire.

Before dawn, occasional shells also landed in east Beirut, witnesses said.

## Hard-Line Position

Bashir Gemayel, the commander of the main Christian militia, said that he still saw neither "how nor why" he should negotiate with the Syrians and said that his men

could keep Syria from "occupying Lebanon."

He charged that the Syrians were using the truce to reinforce.

But the militia commander and other hardliners like former President Camille Chamoun have long been in conflict with a large moderate strain within the Christian right-wing community.

Political and diplomatic sources said that the apparent willingness of the Syrians to soften their negotiating stand on the troop presence in Christian areas would be likely to bring internal Christian pressure on the hard-line leadership to seek a peaceful solution.

Mr. Assad, shortly before Mr. Sarkis left for Beirut, said that he believed that the militias were trying to exempt themselves from Mr. Sarkis' authority. "We support Sarkis," he said, adding, "that [militia] faction trying to complicate the security situation in Lebanon for the legitimate authorities has to help these authorities in the interest of all Lebanon."

**Smith Would Meet Rebels Without 'Preconditions'**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (IHT)

— Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith said today that he is willing to meet with guerrilla leaders "with absolutely no preconditions" at an all-party conference on Rhodesia's future.

"The only precondition is that there be no precondition. What we are objecting to is preconditions from the United States and

his black associates in the transitional regime to the United States."

"I think he's ready to go right now, without any preliminary work," the senator said. "I think he's ready just to go."

Mr. Smith has resisted the all-party-conference concept because such a meeting would include the guerrilla leaders, whom Mr. Smith

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## 2 Americans, a Swiss Win Nobel Prize for Medicine

### For Work With Genes

STOCKHOLM, Oct. 12 (UPI) — Two Americans and a Swiss shared the Nobel Prize for Medicine today for their genetic work, which may lead to the unfolding of the secret of life and may eventually aid in preventing cancer, birth defects, hereditary diseases and malformations.

The Karolinska Institute awarded the 725,000 kronor (\$165,000) prize to Dr. Werner Arber of the University of Basel and to Dr. Daniel Nathans and Dr. Hamilton Smith, both of Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore. For the discovery of restriction enzymes and their application to problems of molecular genetics.

Dr. Arber, 49, discovered restriction enzymes, which control the linkage of various genes on a chromosome. They provide "chemical knives" that cut genes into defined fragments. Enzymes are catalysts that control every chemical reaction in every cell of the body from conception to death.

We will soon be able to discover



Dr. Daniel Nathans



Dr. Werner Arber

the secret of cell differentiation, one of the secrets of life explaining what makes a fertilized cell develop into a human being with limbs and complete internal organs," said Prof. Rolf Lof of the Karolinska Institute.

"It is impossible to demand, however, that today's patients shall have immediate benefits

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## 80 U.S. Senators Ask President To Lead UN Action on Cambodia

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (UPI) — Eighty U.S. senators urged President Carter to take action by the international community over the "uniquely horrific situation" in Cambodia, adding putting it on the agenda of the United Nations Security Council.

The senators, led by George McGovern, D-S.D., and Clifford Stevens, R-N.J., sent a written appeal to the president.

They noted that Mr. Carter had already proposed a UN human rights commission consider the Cambodian question, but added: "It seems to be a rather low key approach in light of the enormity of

the crimes being committed in Cambodia."

In August, Sen. McGovern raised the possibility of mounting an international peacekeeping operation to end what he called "a clear case of genocide" in Cambodia. He told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee that apparent atrocities in Cambodia "make Hitler's operation look tame" and cited estimates that as many as 2.5 million Cambodians had died since the Communist take-over three years ago.

But the Carter administration firmly rejected the idea of an international military force to oust the Cambodian government.

"With this research method we

can now indicate the exact virus gene which causes tumors. We now know what makes a healthy cell become a tumor cell," said Prof. Nils Robert Ringerster of the Karolinska Institute.

"It is impossible to demand, however, that today's patients shall have immediate benefits

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**Less Costly Missions****Carter Scales Down Priorities for Space**

By Robert C. Toth

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 — The late House released a detailed statement yesterday of its space policy for the next decade in which it proposes rejecting spectacular, risky missions in favor of unnamed scientific exploration and practical applications of existing technology.

Even this modest program is denied only adequate funding in a policy statement. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration's budget, now \$4.3 billion, may shrink significantly when spending for its biggest project, the shuttle buster, tails off, the document suggests.

The statement also indicates that military and civilian projects would increasingly consolidate when possible to save money and increase efficiency.

The statement, which expands on an Oct. 1 speech by President Carter at Cape Canaveral, Fla., reflects a far more conservative space policy than those of the president's predecessors.

**Politics of Predecessors**

Former President John F. Kennedy committed the United States to put men on the moon. Former President Richard M. Nixon directed development of the reusable shuttlecraft program, with a cost that approached \$10 billion.

But the economic health of the nation and the mood of the people are different today, said Frank Press, the president's science adviser and chairman of the presidential review committee whose non-military study formed the basis of Mr. Carter's space policy statement.

"Nobody in Congress or the federal government or the public has put forward a case for a U.S.-manned Mars mission," Mr. Press said. "And the Soviets decide to spend \$70 billion to land men on Mars in five years, we say: God bless them."

There have been hints that the current intensive series of Soviet manned flights is aimed at a Mars mission. Soviet cosmonauts have spent record times of 96 days and, currently, 117 days in an orbiting space station that has been resupplied three times. A Mars mission would probably be preceded by thorough manned exploration of the moon and use of the lunar surface as a jumping-off base.

**Three Tenets**

The White House statement on civil space policy proposes three basic tenets:

• The activities "will reflect a balanced strategy of applications, government persistence and technology development."

• Activities will be pursued in space, not just because space is there to be explored, but when it appears that national objectives can be most effectively met" by conducting them in space.

• It is neither feasible nor nec-

essary at this time to commit the United States to a high-challenge space engineering initiative comparable to Apollo. As the resources and manpower requirements for shuttle development phase down, we will have the flexibility to give greater attention to new space applications and exploration, continue programs at present levels, or contract them. To meet the objectives specified above, an adequate federal budget commitment will be made."

Other high-cost projects rejected by Mr. Carter include space colonization, space manufacturing and solar-power satellites.

The solar-power system, which its champions say would be the answer to the energy crisis, would cost an estimated \$100 billion. Satellites would collect solar energy and convert it into microwaves that would be beamed down to giant receivers and turned into electricity.

The policy statement also moves away from NASA's image as a solely peaceful agency. When it was created 20 years ago, NASA was purposely set apart from military activities in space. Its space shuttle, however, is now programmed to carry secret Pentagon payloads and military pilots, as well as scientific instruments and NASA astronauts.

**Some Sharing**

In the future, the civilian and military agencies will share the same weather satellites and probably ocean surveillance satellites. Each agency will have separate communication channels to transmit data from their instruments to board.

"I see no objection," said Mr. Press, "if efficiency improves and we get more for our money, provided NASA remains an open agency, with all its data being made public. It will remain open, and all data will be open."

Mr. Carter rejected proposals to establish an operational Landsat system whose photographs of earth have been widely hailed.

The policy statement promises to continue providing data from the present experimental Landsats, run by NASA, to anyone wishing to buy them. It directs a continuing review of the technology and market demand for the data by government and private groups.

But indications are that only when and if enough commercial companies put up enough money — an operational Landsat system will cost \$70 million to \$200 million — will the federal government consider expanding the present system into an operational network.

Communication satellites receive significant support in the policy statement. NASA is authorized to resume research on such craft, and the Department of Commerce is ordered to study and stimulate public-service use of these satellites for education, health and basic communication needs in remote areas of the country.

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PHILIPPINE FLOOD — Teachers from an elementary school in the Manila suburb of Taguig wade through chest-deep water trying to salvage bookcases and supplies from their flooded school. Many parts of Taguig remained under water two days after a tropical storm.

**Council Charges 'Neglect' of Blacks, Women****Job Bias Found in Southern U.S. Courts**

By Jeff Prugh

ATLANTA, Oct. 12 — Fourteen years after the 1964 Civil Rights Act, federal courts in the South engage in employment discrimination that reflects "dismal, shameful neglect" of blacks and women, said a report issued yesterday by the nonprofit Southern Regional Council.

The 10-month study reports that in 11 Southern states, where blacks make up 20 percent of the population, district and circuit courts have perpetuated "shadows of segregation" at all levels of employment.

The report also stated that Southern federal courts have black employment of only 6 percent, calling it an "astonishingly slow gain"

from 2 percent in a council survey in 1965, when the number of federal court jobs in the region (1,479)

was nearly half of what it is today (2,954).

Only one of 112 federal district judges in the South is black, the report showed. It added that none of the 26 circuit judges in the region is black and that there are no black full-time magistrates or U.S. district or circuit clerks. Only one U.S. attorney and three U.S. marshals are black, it said.

**No Blacks At All**

Two Southern federal district courts — in Fort Smith, Ark., and Roanoke, Va. — have no black personnel, while nine of the region's 29 district courts have no blacks in professional positions, the report showed.

Women fared slightly better in low-level clerical, secretarial and library jobs, the study showed, but the number of women in court positions did not reflect their presence in the labor force. Only 9 percent of higher-level positions and 2 percent of Southern federal district judgeships are occupied by women, the report stated. No women hold professional positions in district courts in Macon, Ga., and Oxford, Miss., the report said.

"There probably are more white males who are qualified, but that does not mean that there are not just as many blacks and women we want to appoint who are equally qualified," said Steve Suitts, the council's executive director, at a news conference.

**Lack of Clout Seen**

The report by the Atlanta-based council — which since 1944 has strived to promote equal opportunity for blacks and whites in the South — called on President Carter and U.S. senators to appoint qualified blacks and women to fill a large number of the 60 judgeships created in the South by a recent law that will add 152 federal judgeships across the nation.

"There are very few — damned few — blacks and women who have

said anything about this," Mr. Heath said. "There is nothing here for gloating, nothing for joy." Mr. Heath warned. "We should grieve for our country."

In television interviews later he spoke out strongly in favor of the Callaghan government's pay cuts.

Asked whether he believed that the government cannot leave pay bargaining to management and unions, Mr. Heath replied "Yes, I am saying that."

Asked whether this does not run counter to Mrs. Thatcher's policies, Mr. Heath snapped, "I am giving my own views which are based on my own experience."

Asked about the 5 percent pay limit, he said, "I am sure the prime minister is right to say 'This is the best judgment we can make about what the country can stand.' I believe the British people think this as well."

Mr. Heath said that he would campaign again for Labor in the next election, which Mr. Callaghan must call sometime during the next 12 months.

The latest toll brought the number of workers shot by police during the last 48 hours of street violence to at least 19. Yesterday's violence began when police arrived to disperse several hundred government workers in a sitdown in front of the city water department building in downtown Guatemala City.

Red Cross officials said that the demonstration was peaceful until the police arrived and opened fire with tear gas and guns. On Tuesday, police used gunfire to break up another sitdown by government employees in front of the city hall, wounding nine persons.

About 80,000 government employees walked off their jobs last week to protest an increase in bus fares from 5 to 10 cents. Guatemalan President Romeo Lucas Garcia said the protests were illegal.

On Saturday, the City Council

ordered the fares reduced to 5 cents, but the bus operators, who struck three months ago for higher wages, ignored the order.

**Carter Oil Taxes Rejected**

By Richard L. Lyons

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (WP)

— House-Senate conferees finally reached agreement yesterday on an energy-tax bill that contains no major tax increases but about \$1 billion in tax credits during the next year.

The conferees adopted a watered-down version of President Carter's proposed tax on the sale of gas-guzzling cars, but went along with the Senate in rejecting his two big energy-saving taxes on domestic crude oil and industrial use of oil and gas.

The bill also provides tax credits of up to \$300 for home insulation, up to \$200 for installation of solar heat in homes and an additional 10-percent investment tax credit for businesses purchasing energy-saving equipment.

The focus was to shift to the House later today for the final round in the 18-month fight for passage of an energy package, which Mr. Carter called the most important domestic issue facing Congress. Much of his original bill, such as taxes and regulation of utilities and industry to save oil, have been eliminated or severely restricted.

**Natural Gas Remains**

The major item remaining is the phased removal of federal price controls from new natural gas by 1985. In an effort to push this deregulation through the House, Democratic leaders will go to the House Rules Committee today to ask to package all the energy measures together. In this way, the federal aid in other sections might help pass the controversial natural-gas section.

Other parts that the Rules Committee will be asked to bundle together include providing \$900 million to insulate schools and hospitals and grants of up to \$800 per household to help poor people insulate their homes, requiring energy-efficiency standards for major

home appliances, requiring state regulatory bodies to consider ordering electric utilities to offer cheaper rates to customers for off-peak use to save energy consumed in production of electricity, and establishing a regulatory program to shift industry and utilities from use of oil or natural gas to coal.

Opponents of the natural-gas compromise will fight in the Rules Committee and on the House floor to try to split the gas issue off for a separate vote. The final vote is scheduled in the House for tomorrow or Saturday.

Yesterday's agreement on an energy-tax bill came when the Senate conferees met alone to consider an offer made by House conferees a week ago. The senators had been tied up with action on the federal tax-cut bill since the House offer was made.

**Japanese Toast****Bemoans Loss****By Axis Powers**

TOKYO, Oct. 12 (AP) — A senior Japanese parliamentarian, in a toast yesterday to West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, said: "It was unfortunate that both our countries were defeated in the last war."

The former lower-house speaker, Shigesaburo Maeo, speaking at a gathering of the West German-Japan Parliamentarians League, made the remark while listing the similarities in the experiences of the German and Japanese peoples.

A West German diplomat at the gathering said later: "Mr. Maeo probably didn't mean that it was unfortunate we were defeated but rather that we both went through such an unfortunate experience."

The gas-guzzler tax would begin a year from now with the sale of 1980 model cars. The first year, a car getting less than 15 miles per gallon would be taxed from \$200 to \$550. The tax would increase each year until 1986, when the maximum tax would be \$3,500 on cars getting less than 12.5 miles per gallon.

Because of penalties assessed manufacturers under existing law if their fleet average fails to meet rising mileage standards, there are not expected to be many low-mileage cars built in this country by then.

Sen. Russell Long, D-La., chairman of the Senate conferees, was asked if he thought the energy-tax bill would help encourage people to save energy. "It will help somewhat," he said. "Not much, but some."

Senate conferees approved the final version 10 to 2.

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## Plattdeutsch Makes Comeback

## North Germans Celebrate Their Private Language

HAMBURG, Oct. 12 (UPI) — Barbed wire and armed guards divide Germany into East and West, while something called "Plattdeutsch" divides the country into north and south.

This linguistic barrier runs in a distinctive line, with a few dips and exceptions, from Aachen in the west, across the border into East Germany up to Rostock and a bit beyond.

Obviously much easier to cross than the barbed wire, it nevertheless has its hazards of its own. One of these is to define Plattdeutsch as simply yet another regional or local dialect. It takes a lot to ruffle a north German — but this will do it.

To him, and linguists support this, Plattdeutsch, or "low German," is a separate language, with its own grammar, syntax and pronunciation. Most north Germans are quite happy to know that the rest of their countrymen cannot understand it.

## Prominent Speaker

Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, who was born and still lives in Hamburg, is the country's most prominent *platzendecker* (speaker of platt), sprinkling it liberally into his speeches in northern Germany.

Guenther Harte, who speaks and teaches it in Hamburg, says Plattdeutsch is an old language that failed to develop. It remained the language of peasants and workers, as the more educated Germans turned to Hochdeutsch, or High German.

Ten years ago, Plattdeutsch was in such a sickly state that its early demise was predicted. But the current wave of nostalgia and the energetic prodding of a few linguists in northern Germany resurrected it. Today, the language is everywhere.

Automobile stickers proclaim "Wi snackt platt" (We speak platt). The Hamburg public transport system cautions sneaky travelers who have failed to buy a ticket, "Wi snappet di doch." (We'll catch you anyway).

Radio Bremen has started regular newscasts in Plattdeutsch. In Hamburg, radio listeners get five minutes of platt every morning. A big Hamburg newspaper recently ran a two-month course to teach the rudiments of platt to the *quidies*, the newcomers to the north.

## New Dictionary

The University of Hamburg has a department of Plattdeutsch, where Prof. Juergen Meiers is compiling a new dictionary of platt. He is asking north Germans to contribute by helping with terms and definitions. He has already filed 800,000 index cards with such information.

Prof. Meiers works closely with the Institute for Plattdeutsch in Bremen, which devotes part of its time to answering questions from the public and part to hunting down the origins of words and tracing their development over the centuries.

An institute survey shows that in the north German region, 76 percent of the population either speak or at least understand Plattdeutsch.

Schools in northern Germany sponsor Plattdeutsch reading competitions. Parents give their babies Plattdeutsch names, such as Hinrich, Inken and Treske. In many rural families, platt is the household language, with children growing up bilingual, in Low and High German.

The Hamburg Opera has performed Weber's "Freischuetz" in platt. Theaters perform in platt, sometimes drawing on English plays, which are translated first into High German and then into platt.

## Hamburg Debate

Political parties run part of their campaigns in Plattdeutsch. The Hamburg city parliament debated, appropriately in platt, the pros and cons of increasing funds to support research and promotion of platt.

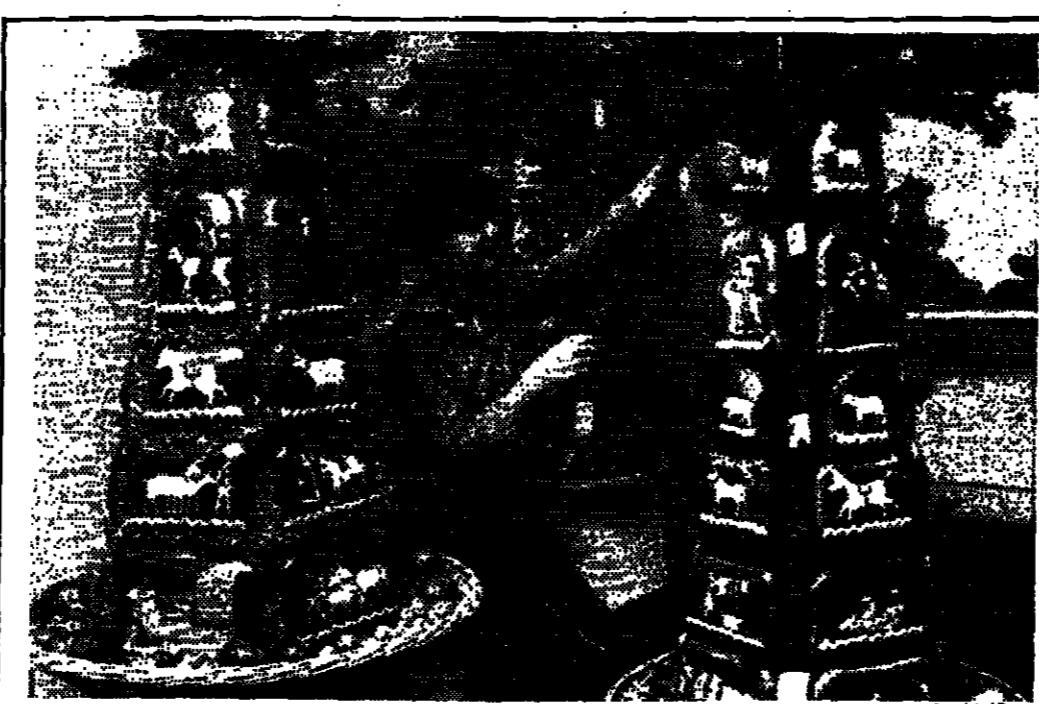
Plattdeutsch has its own songs, its own literature. Germans are beginning to realize that some of their best authors, including Theodor Storm and Fritz Reuter, wrote at least some of their platt in platt.

Platt has also won a special place in the Protestant Church in northern Germany. Attendance at one church picked up when a young pastor named Dirk Roemer began to speak platt from the pulpit a few years ago. His superiors, skeptical at first, applauded the step when they saw Mr. Roemer's crowded church Sunday after Sunday. Other pastors followed his example. They now hold regular Plattdeutsch conferences. A growing number of persons request Plattdeutsch sermons at weddings, baptisms and burials.

A number of parishes now will hire a new pastor only if he speaks platt reasonably well.

"We need Plattdeutsch in this modern day and age, because it goes straight to the heart," says Mr. Roemer. "Platt allows you to express your feelings, it makes good use of humor and it does not lend itself to complicated sentences that hide the real meaning of what the person is trying to say."

"We who love platt are happy to see that so many people now appreciate platt as a warm and honest means of communication."



A LOT OF GINGERBREAD, MAN — A first hint of Christmas is on exhibit in Zurich, in a display of Swiss cake and gingerbread specialties by about 30 individual cake and gingerbread artisans from around the world, as well as a number from the bakery school at Lierne. Exhibitors expect that most of the gingerbread will get eaten before Christmas.

## U.S. Suggests Russians Buy More Wheat, Corn

WASHINGTON, Oct. 12 (AP) — Saddled with huge supplies of wheat and corn, the United States gave the Soviet Union the go-ahead yesterday to increase grain purchases during the next year if it wants to.

Assistant Agriculture Secretary Dale Hathaway said that Moscow told him that it could buy 15 million metric tons of wheat and 276,000 metric tons of corn. In addition, it has purchased soybean oil and cotton for it.

Earlier yesterday, the department revised upward its estimate of the 1978 U.S. corn harvest, to a record 6.82 billion bushels, about 173.3 million metric tons. A metric ton is 2,205 pounds.

The meeting was the second this year under terms of the agreement calling for two such conferences annually to keep both countries informed of each other's agricultural situation. This is the third year of the purchase agreement.

Mr. Hathaway said that he also told the Russians that the United States could make available "additional quantities" of grain over the 15 million tons specified, if Moscow wanted to buy it.

A year ago the Agriculture Department also informed Moscow that it could buy 15 million tons of grain in the year that ended Sept. 30. The Russians bought about 14.8 million tons.

The agreement calls for the Soviet Union to buy a minimum of 6 million tons of U.S. wheat and corn each year and up to 8 million tons without further talks. If more than that is wanted, Moscow must get approval from the Agriculture Department.

Mr. Hathaway said that the Russians did not indicate how much grain over the minimum they might buy in 1978-79. They did say, however, that they intended to abide by the pact's minimum purchase requirement.

The Russians, he said, "clearly are interested in having the U.S. as a continuing supplier of grain." He said that he thought they were "likely to buy above the minimum levels" in the coming year.

In a related development, the de-

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The magnet, which is on loan to the Soviet Union, has been constructed in a way that it is virtually impossible for the Russians to disassemble it, or copy its precise design, according to sources familiar with the project.

By shipping the magnet to Moscow, the United States is said to have saved an estimated \$40 million, which would have been required to duplicate the Soviet facility.

Magnetohydrodynamics is a concept that has long been known, but never put into use until the Russians started a tiny pilot plant six years ago alongside the Moscow River. Sited near the Kremlin, this plant generates 2,000 kilowatts of electricity used in part to light up the Kremlin walls at night.

The smaller plant goes under the ironic name of U-2, recalling the U.S. spy plane that figured prominently in one of the low points of U.S.-Soviet relations. The larger plant is called U-25 (U is the first letter in the Russian word for facility), meaning that it has the potential for generating 25,000 kilowatts.

So far, U-25 has produced a little more than 20,000 kilowatts each of the dozen or so times it has been run. That may not sound like much, but it is remarkable for a piece of machinery so new and so complex. It also is enough to light up a small town.

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Yet it was that very earthy quality that Soviet intellectuals point to when they say he was more sympathetic than the present leaders. He was certainly visible, appearing often in public and talking the ear off anyone who came close enough to listen.

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Electric power plants are notoriously inefficient, burning oil, gas and coal in prodigious quantities around the world. As much as 70 percent of the heat generated by these burning fuels is lost in the boilers where steam is made in the turbines where it is utilized and out the stack when it is discharged.

Magnetohydrodynamics promises to cut that loss in half and extend the life of oil, gas and coal supplies by an equal percentage.

There is nothing easy about turning up such a plant, as the engineers here at the Institute of High Temperature know quite well.

First, natural gas is burned in huge heaters that are force-fed a pressurized mix of air and pure oxygen to drive temperatures up as high as 5,000 degrees Fahrenheit.

And among the dead were 10 crew members, all burned beyond identification, the spokesman said. The cause of the explosion, believed to have taken place in the boiler room, is being investigated.

## In Joint Effort With U.S.

## Russians Work to Increase Fuel Output

By Thomas O'Toole

MOSCOW, Oct. 12 (WP) — On the outskirts of this city lies a unique experimental power plant that could buy the industrialized world another 10 years in learning how to deal with the growing shortage of oil and natural gas.

The plant is the only one on earth making use of a phenomenon called magnetohydrodynamics (MHD) to extract more electricity out of the heat generated by burning fuels such as natural gas. Still experimental, the Soviet plant has been producing electricity, when it has been running for the last two years.

"We have not kept a record of how many kilowatts hours we have produced," Dr. Yevgeny Shelkov, deputy director of the Soviet Academy of Sciences' Institute of High Temperature told touring U.S. journalists the other day. "But we have successfully run this plant for several thousand hours generating as much as 20,000 kilowatts."

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They stay, as paying guests, for weeks or months at a time, striving for enlightenment under the tutelage of Rajneesh, who has a long beard and penetrating eyes and who is fond of saying things like, "God is divine and has the direction of God in it," urging his disciples to "do whatever you feel like doing."

Prime Minister Moraji Desai's government, disturbed by an increasing flood of overseas publicity of the Rajneesh ashram, with photographs of naked Westerners and suggestions of orgies, recently banned further foreign television coverage of the controversial guru.

"It is felt that a film on the activities of the ashram would not reflect favorably on India's image abroad," Information Minister L.K. Advani explained in Parliament, disclosing that India had turned down visa applications from reporters and crews representing the British Broadcasting Corporation and the Spanish national television.

A spokesman for the guru replied that the ban on him was "ridiculous and obviously cannot be effectively enforced."

The minister of information has exposed the ashram — and the image of spiritual India — to grave risks of distortion," he said. "It just creates difficulties for highly respectable organizations, like the BBC, who would prefer to come here with the government's blessing, but it leaves the rest of the field open."

The ashram also began advising foreign television journalists how to defy the government ban by posing as tourists when they apply for visas. In general, the press in India is now very free by third world standards, after the rigid censorship.

Those are private documents," Mr. Griffin's lawyer, William Dailey, said last night. A letter sent Tuesday to GSA Administrator Jay Solomon by Mr. Griffin asks return of the materials within three days, adding "if you allow my property to be examined without due process . . . I will feel free to file appropriate legal action."

Mr. Griffin told Mr. Solomon that he had learned that the agency "intends to confiscate my property for the purpose of an internal investigation, the purpose of which is unknown to me."

Mr. Dailey said that Mr. Griffin does not know which papers are sought by investigators at the GSA, where several government agencies are probing allegations of fraud which they say could total \$60 million to \$100 million a year.

electric current. An efficiency level of 60 percent is achieved in generators that never before did better than 30 percent.

The United States is more than a silent partner in all this. The energy Department next year will ship the Russians an experimental channel to handle the enormous heat encountered in the experiments. The magnet that is here now is expected even by the Russians to be the forerunner of whatever giant superconducting magnets are built in the first commercial plants.

"Superconducting magnets are the future," admits Mr. Shelkov. "They are smaller, they use less power and their efficiency is higher. There can be no doubt about that."

## Western Media Barred

## Guru's Free-Sex Doctrine Worries Image-Shy India

By William Borders

ship of Indira Gandhi's regime, and foreign newspaper and magazine reporters here are free to operate without restriction.

But the government still screens the applications of foreigners planning documentary television coverage. In recent months it has turned down not only the requests from people interested in Rajneesh, but also an application from Thames Television, a British independent company, to make a 10-minute film on un-touchables. In rejecting the latter request, the government explained: "It is felt that the preparation of any documentary film confined to a particular section of the population is in principle not considered desirable. Such a film, however objectively made, is likely to give an exaggerated and distorted picture of the realities."

**Nature of Spiritualism**

The objection to television coverage about the Rajneesh ashram, officials explained privately, is that they think it wrongly depicts Indian spiritualism, which is a basic aspect of everyday life here as hedonistic and sex-oriented.

Although the government will not confirm it, Rajneesh says that Indian embassies have also begun denying visas to people who say that they want to visit the ashram as pilgrims.

"As my work will grow and spread, more and more difficulties will be coming from the bureaucracy," the guru said in a statement.

"One day, it may be necessary for you to go underground. I don't want to create unnecessary troubles. The real thing is to work for your inner transformation."

## Fired GSA Aide Asks Agency to Return Papers

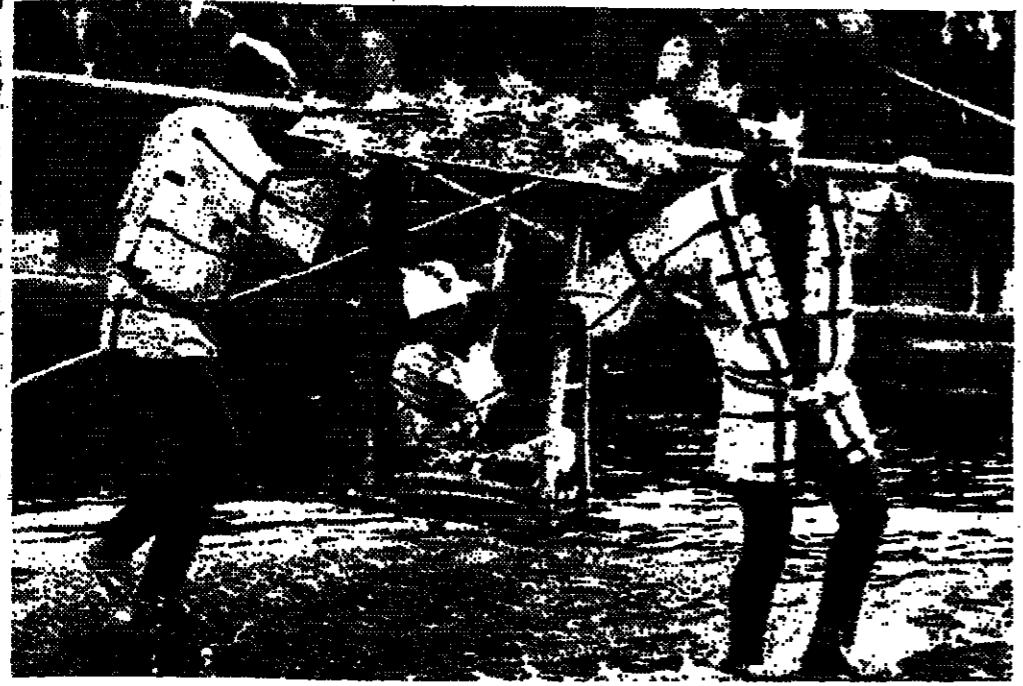
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## The Street Called Straight

Now that Egyptian and Israeli diplomats are meeting in Blair House, in Washington, to decide the fate of territories that once were the imperial roadways of pharaohs, kings and caliphs, there is a strong possibility that there will be another conference of Arab states, about the fate of Lebanon. And the two meetings, however far apart in geography and historical context, will surely have deep impressions on one another.

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For what happens in Lebanon has an urgent meaning for Israelis. If, at last, Moslem and Christian can return to peaceful coexistence in Lebanon, it will convey a moral to all the Middle East: that differences of religion and culture may be argued out, but should not be shot out. And if Lebanese Christian fears of Syrian ambitions for a Greater Syria that will incorporate their land are resolved by negotiation, it will give hope to whatever may be talked about in, or flow from, Blair House. Finally, if there is some solution, including acceptable restraints, for the situation of the Palestinian exiles in Lebanon, it will do much to stabilize the Lebanese-Israeli frontier and diminish the raids and counter-raids which have done so much to keep the Lebanese pot a-boiling. It will not, of course, provide a real answer to the issue of the West Bank or the Gaza Strip, but it might give some hints in that direction.

If the Arab meeting takes place in Damascus it should not be forgotten that in that ancient city is what St. Luke described a "street which is called Straight." Mark Twain, visiting Syria about a century ago, commented that that was "a fine piece of irony; it is the only facetious remark in the Bible." The street called Straight was

"straighter than a corkscrew, but not as straight as a rainbow."

This play on words does not have implications solely for diplomacy conducted in Damascus. In Washington, the White House (and Blair House is across the street from it) is connected with the Capitol by a fine, broad street, that, to all appearances, is straight and direct: Pennsylvania Avenue. But everyone is fully aware, now that Congress is trying to close out its session without closing out its appeal to November's voters, that common sense has a great deal of difficulty in navigating between the presidential mansion and the legislature's temple. In other words, a street does not have to be misnamed "Straight" in a city where a diplomatic meeting is being held to have people realize that the ironies of fiction and the tensions of emotion can do great damage to the human interest the diplomats are trying to reconcile.

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So whether the diplomats, in their odd moments, contemplate a street called Straight or one called Pennsylvania Avenue, they cannot afford to forget the real concerns they are seeking to advance. Lebanon is in most urgent need of peace within itself; it is only a slight extension to point out that what Christian and Moslem need there, Arab and Israeli need in the Middle East as a whole. It is those goals that must be sought directly, through the web of historical, religious and purely selfish desires that influence so many events in the Middle East. Whether in Blair House, Damascus, or wherever leaders gather to solve difficulties by words instead of blows, it is the straight street that must be sought—not the street called Straight.

## A Simple No to Unesco

In the name of press freedom, which few of them actually practice, a majority of the world's governments are trying once again to prescribe a code of conduct for the mass media. This foolish effort to codify the irreconcilable values of different political systems almost destroyed the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization two years ago. A more delicately worded declaration this year will not avert that risk. There are many things on which the Western nations should compromise their interests to promote international cooperation and understanding, but the definition of their most precious rights is not one of them.

The proposed Unesco declaration would not enhance the rights or opportunities of a single writer or broadcaster anywhere. For all its talk of "free" and "objective" information, what it really champions is something called "balance"—as defined by the declarers, who are governments. On the freedom side, the document would forever be rhetorical and unenforceable. But by presuming also to describe the "obligations" and "duties" of the media, it would predictably be the pretext for the harassment of native journalists in many nations and for the arrest or deportation of foreign correspondents. The censors and repressors of the world need no such pretext, of course; but that is no reason why the truly open societies should help supply it through a respected world agency.

The declaration would summon the mass media to combat "war propaganda," which in the Soviet Union can be nothing more than a discussion of military doctrines. It would call upon the media to assist in campaigns against "racialism," which a majority of the United Nations once equated with Zionism. It would declare it the duty of the media to disseminate the "versions of facts"

presented by states that consider themselves to have been injured by news coverage, which seems to be nothing more than official propaganda. And it would declare it the duty of states, insofar as they legally can, to "ensure" that the media observe these principles.

If pressed to a vote, the declaration would easily obtain the approval of most of the 144 nations in Unesco. What agitates many of them is frustration over the fact that the world's most sophisticated news organizations are Western in ownership and orientation. And like governments everywhere, they feel unappreciated, misrepresented and even slandered by the media. Egged on by the Soviet Union and other totalitarians, they seem to control the foreign media at least as much as their own.

The proper but so far futile Western response has been the offer of help to those developing nations that genuinely wish to add to the flow of information, notably by developing their own free media operations. Technological assistance and educational exchanges are available for this purpose and Unesco could arrange for them to be provided in the most neutral possible way. It will never be trusted even with that mission, however, if it lends itself to an essentially authoritarian definition of the role of the media.

So while holding out the offer of material help, the Western delegations to this month's conference in Paris need to make it clear that they will not accept the proposed declaration in any form. There is no way Americans can negotiate definitions of press freedom with the Soviet Union or Saudi Arabia or even Brazil. If that becomes the purpose of Unesco, it will surely lose all standing in the West to do anything useful.

THE NEW YORK TIMES

## International Opinion

### China and the West

There is nothing to be gained by Chinese warmth if all it does is to produce greater uneasiness in Moscow and probably worse. Such anxiety might be enough to destabilize the already delicate base of understanding founded on agreements such as SALT. This must remain the crux of world peace and no kind of Chinese advocacy should be allowed to disturb it.

On the other hand, it will do no harm to let Moscow see that the Western alliance has an interest in cultivating China as a counterbalance to rising Soviet power in Europe and elsewhere. It is wrong to make the Soviet Union feel frightened and resentful; it is right to induce caution in Moscow by increasing the likelihood that trouble on one border could mean trouble on two. Sales of defensive weapons to China pose no threat to Soviet

security but they could marginally and indirectly contribute to Western security.

Moreover, just as European statesmen make their own judgments over the nature of the Soviet threat without reference to or much influence from China's reiterated fears, so European governments can make their own judgments of how far supplying arms to China will seriously touch Soviet nerves—as distinct from provoking angry, self-justifying protest.

Europe's action can be less disturbing than any U.S. action. In the immediate future, however, the care needed must also be influenced by the likelihood of a change in the Soviet leadership with Mr. Brezhnev's failing health. Any present cooperation with China would have its limits but within them there is ample room for trust and profit on both sides.

—From the Times (London).

## In the International Edition

### Seventy-Five Years Ago

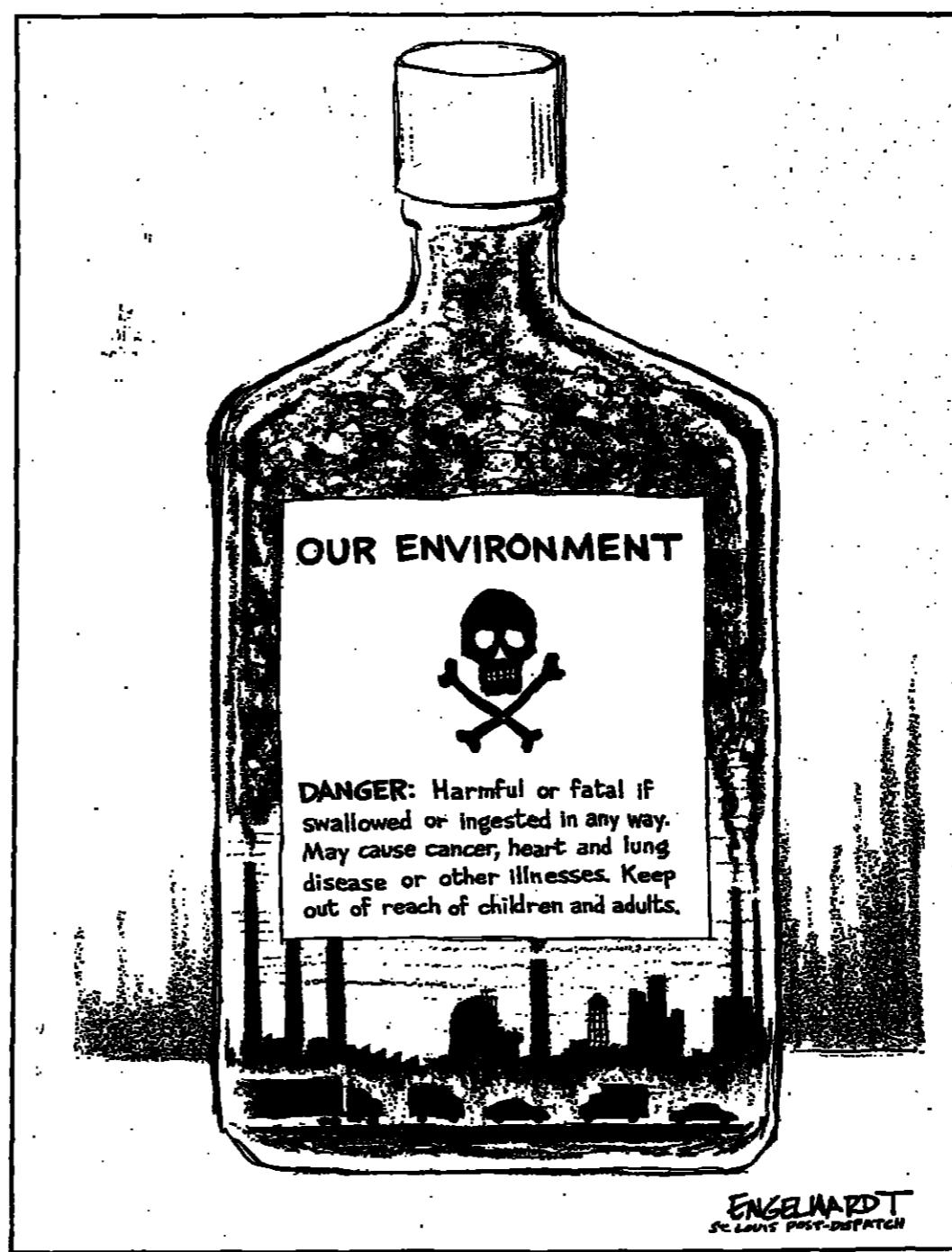
October 13, 1903

NEW YORK — The New York Evening Post says: "For two days now the editors of the great morning papers have had testimony as to the massive swindles involved in the formation of the Shipyard Trust. With one exception all have held their peace. They remain detached from all filthy trades, consumed rather with that genteel detachment taught by the younger journalists. The old school of journalists, however, is likely to inquire whether the news is not really worth a penstroke. It should be shown if the newspapers still have any duty in guiding public opinion."

### Fifty Years Ago

October 13, 1928

PARIS — The Immortals can now rise up. The Immortals are those dignified gentlemen who compose the French Academy. What they can rise up in is their new elevator, which was inaugurated yesterday under the cupola where the learned gentlemen assemble and pass on words and literature. While they can, few, however, yesterday did. The first hearty, M. Bertrand, entered the iron-cage and was soon followed by a workmen, who to a nervous entreaty assured M. Bertrand it could hold them both. Thus rose the first Immortal, in a ceremony simple and without rhetoric.



## Polish-Czech Link Nipped

By Leopold Unger

**B**RUSSELS — This time the police were there in time, and they brought friends. Radio cars were lying in wait, hidden in the woods, and detectives were ambling about among the numerous tourists at the Peak of Giants on the border between Poland and Czechoslovakia.

The combined operation of Prague and Warsaw saw that Czech authorities are constantly trying to bear down more severely on dissidents. Ideological issues (the euphemism used in Eastern Europe to designate repression of dissidence) have been high on the agenda of every meeting between Czech and Polish officials.

Vasyl Blak, the Czech Communist Party's minister No. 2 man, who is responsible for ideology, and his aides in charge of propaganda, have often discussed with their Polish counterparts the need to reinforce the unity of the international Communist movement.

The combined police operation at the Peak of Giants was part of this effort. What remains unclear is what extent this "ideological cooperation" with Czechoslovakia may change in the prudent and cautious policy that Poland has observed toward its democratic movements. Up to now, Warsaw has shown a spot of malign neglect toward the 25 clandestine publications—which publish a total of more than 50,000 copies—as well as to the Free University where such subjects as history and sociology are taught, subjects that are banned in the official schools. In addition to this, there is the usually Catholic Church which, in a recent pastoral letter read throughout the country, has demanded an end to censorship, the very basis of any Communist authority.

The members of both rights groups were arrested near the resort of Karpacz, even before reaching the "Path of Polish-Czechoslovak Friendship," a long stretch near the border where citizens of both countries usually meet without going through the usual formalities and where the police are less punctilious than elsewhere along the frontier.

This time, however, the police were more conscientious than ever. Adam Michnik and Jan Litynski, two leaders of the Polish group, were arrested on their side of the frontier and released 48 hours later in Warsaw. Jaroslav Sabata, one of the three spokesmen for the Charter 77 group, is still in prison in Prague, charged with resisting arrest.

The combined operation of the two police forces was not really a surprise. What is astonishing is that representatives of the democratic movements of these two Communist countries were able to meet twice before without great difficulty.

The first meeting took place in the Tatra mountains of Czechoslovakia last August for the 10th anniversary of the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact invasion of that country. This unprecedented event signified the desire of both movements to cooperate and coordinate their activities and also to give this cooperation a quasi-institutional status. A communiqué following that meeting declared that the parties had discussed "various forms of cooperation."

The two organizations began operating immediately. At the request of the Prague group, the Polish movement informed the Western press of an appeal made in favor of three Czechoslovak democrats who were sentenced to prison in August for having disseminated the text of Charter 77.

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Last month, a second meeting was held between the dissidents of the two countries. This time, the delegates decided to set up working committees, to exchange information on a regular basis and to issue joint declarations. At the end of this conference, a letter was signed by both groups, expressing solidarity with "those who stand up for the rights of man in East Germany, Soviet Armenia, Bulgaria, Estonia, Soviet Georgia, Hungary, Lithuania, the Soviet Union, Romania and the Ukraine."

It also made an appeal in favor of political prisoners within the Soviet Union.

Furthermore, the democratic groups of both nations also agreed to organize "an international political seminar on the significance of independent initiatives in the countries of Eastern Europe."

That, probably, was more than the authorities could take. The joint action of democratic groups within

highly vulnerable to infection from the Polish example and which feel threatened by it. Internal and external pressures are very strong and the only Comcon that really works is the police Comecon. The dissidents' idea of holding an international seminar and their goal of internationalizing the opposition in Eastern Europe may well have been the straw that broke the camel's back.

"If this is really what did it, then we can expect both Polish and Czech authorities will do everything that is in their power to see to it that this seminar takes place... not at the Peak of Giants, but in some dungeon in Prague or Warsaw."

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## Theater

### 'Travesties': Odd Trio In Zurich

By Thomas Quinn Curtis

Botha and other South African officials have said they will not call off their intervention in Namibia. The West, afterwards, will talk with the election about broadening its government and internationally acceptable that is hardly a solution. The election must be accepted as free or forced. To this day South Africa has pulled one of its soldiers, as promised, from Namibia, or released political prisoners. Under those conditions, most parties hope that will be a virtual South Africa, the South African government, such an exercise will be to anyone except them. They must know the result, even modern guerrilla activity will increase. Botha and his supporters on that course? They believe it's now essentially impossible from either side. Or rather, that the press largely of words, they have some reason.

## Reality

other day Zambia's Rhodesian railroad was copper out through being ferried. The move demands of South Africa's agents on the continent, the black majority cutting ties with the Western powers. seem confident as will not allow us to have against investment supplies. The point too much on Africa — Britain and France and West Germany would veto any action in the UN if calculation, for us, could be won in countries where are committed and contact group just think an in Africa we are interests as well as they must cover ten points is the responsibility. On Vance Parks' quiet man, Botha-South Africans' best the UN's understanding is crave.

## Road Company

The Stoppard script requires players versed in the exacting art of extravaganza shadings. In its London National Theater production it got them, at least to a sufficient degree. By comparison, the version of the Lansdowne troupe is road company stuff.

François Germond is acceptable as the smug, grumpy niwai Carr-Patrick Lipp, once he gets going (he benefits from a remarkable makeup job), makes a lively Lenin; Jean-Luc Bideau is an odd choice for Joyce, and as he doesn't have his model's melodious voice, songs have been eliminated to theatrical disadvantage. Roger Jendly's Tzara is an escaped provincial musical-comedy jumping-jack, while André Steiger's direction continually dips into slow motion.

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Lenin and some mixed company in "Travesties."

Stoppard's mordant wit is best when brief — as in the two playlets that compose "Dirty Linen." What he has written here are several long, loosely-bound skits that are consistent for setting and period, but are unrelated thematically. Indeed, they are in contrast: Were two men and two destinies ever more disparate than Lenin and Joyce? Their only point of contact was geographical. Stoppard, like countryman Harold Pinter, is basically a sketch author. Our more extended excursions, the works of both soon become winded.

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"Les Aiguilleurs" (at the Theatre L'Oeuvre) falls into another category. The product of a young Irishman, Brian Phelan, it is a one-act play in two parts. This stretching of an anecdote, though not recommended, fails to damage what might otherwise be merely a curtain-raiser, for a sense of suspense is strongly retained.

Two daffy old stationmasters stay put in their signal-house — and collect full pay by mail — long after service on a London-outskirts railroad line has been permanently discontinued. They spend their days pretending that they are still on active duty. One telephones urgent orders to the other; on the floor a toy electric train is kept at full charge.

Their happy tranquility is shattered by the appearance of a young, rowdy railroad hand, who, because of another bureaucratic mixup, has been appointed their assistant. He learns their secrets and threatens to report them for fraud. The only way they can get rid of this bully, they reason, is to kill him. You

## London Stage

### 'Lulu' Falls Short of Noel Coward's Best

By John Walker

that fueled Feydeau's farce. Gentlemen do lose their trousers, but with a stylish aplomb, and seem delighted to be caught parading in their underwear.

Having dispensed with the comedy of embarrassment, based on a property that he found ridiculous, Coward is still stuck with the original structure of the play. So he decorates it with some witty remarks that either draw attention to the ridiculous aspects of the original or add momentary irrelevance.

Garrison's direction is as mixed, veering from laborious slapstick to attempts at elegant comedy. Some actors stay within the conventions of farce. Clive Francis' hunched, splay-footed butt of most of the jokes is a perfect farcical creation matched by Fenella Fielding, who is encouraged to overact — outrageously as a duchess who is also an actress manqué.

Geraldine McEwan gives a less stylized performance — or rather a performance in a high comedy style — as Lulu, which is equally effective, if occasionally confusing: She and Miss Fielding clash horribly in their scenes together.

At the Vaudeville Theater, "An Evening with Dave Allen" is exact-

ly what it claims to be: time spent with a professional comedian who also plays the professional Irishman and professional drunk. Allen's act is best suited to a nightclub.

He is an able and engaging comedian, though stretching his talents in occupying the stage for so long on his own — he lacks the verbal flair or eccentric personality that would make so prolonged an exposure continually amusing.

What is less pleasing is that for a comic who sets himself up as some sort of social commentator — a whiskey-barrel philosopher at least.

— he chooses the safest of targets (attacking television commercials is the limit of his daring) and hangs whole routines on outmoded attitudes: Do people still threaten thumb-sucking children that the bogeyman will come around with scissors and cut off their thumbs?

Allen seems to think they so,

which suggests that it's a long time since he actually took a look at the society he lives in, even if through the bottom of a glass. His habit of setting up straw figures and then gleefully demolishing them soon reduces his act to the level of any other quick-tongued entertainer with a good memory for gags.

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## Music

### New Paris Concert Hall Will Get in Tune Today

By David Stevens

PARIS, Oct. 12 (IHT) — A radically innovative concert hall makes its public debut here tomorrow night with a program of works composed on the premises and in which the hall itself — which can be "tuned" like an instrument — will literally play an active role.

Concert hall is hardly the right term, although it will do for tomorrow night. It could just as easily be designated a theater, a laboratory, a recording studio, an instrument, or a highly specialized scientific tool, and it will be all of those things separately and sometimes together. And although its capacity of 300 to 400 seats is an obvious limitation for a "concert hall," it will be the site of acoustical research that will almost certainly have drastic implications for concert halls of the future.

The place in question is the *Espace de Projection*, the public extension of IRCAM — the Institut de Recherche et Coordination Acoustique/Musique — the musical research center headed by Pierre Boulez and installed in a four-level, acoustically isolated, building beneath a small square between the Centre Georges Pompidou (of which it is a part) and the Eglise Saint-Merri.

## Raw State

In its raw state the *Espace* is a box whose official dimensions are 15½ meters wide by 24 long and 11½ high, with no permanent stage or seating arrangement. The futuristic element of this experimental hall is that it has variable acoustical properties (reverberation time can be adjusted anywhere from 0.8 to 4 seconds — like going from a padded cell to an echo chamber) and variable space.

The most visually remarkable element of the *Espace* is the surface of its walls and ceiling, almost totally covered with 172 *pariettes*, each of which contains three rotating prisms with three acoustically different surfaces — absorbent, reflecting or diffusing. Each *pariette* can be independently controlled. With each one having seven different positions, the variability of the room's acoustics is almost infinite.

Another feature is that the ceiling is divided into three rectangular panels, each of which can be lowered almost to the floor, with steel curtains to close off the free space when they are at different levels.

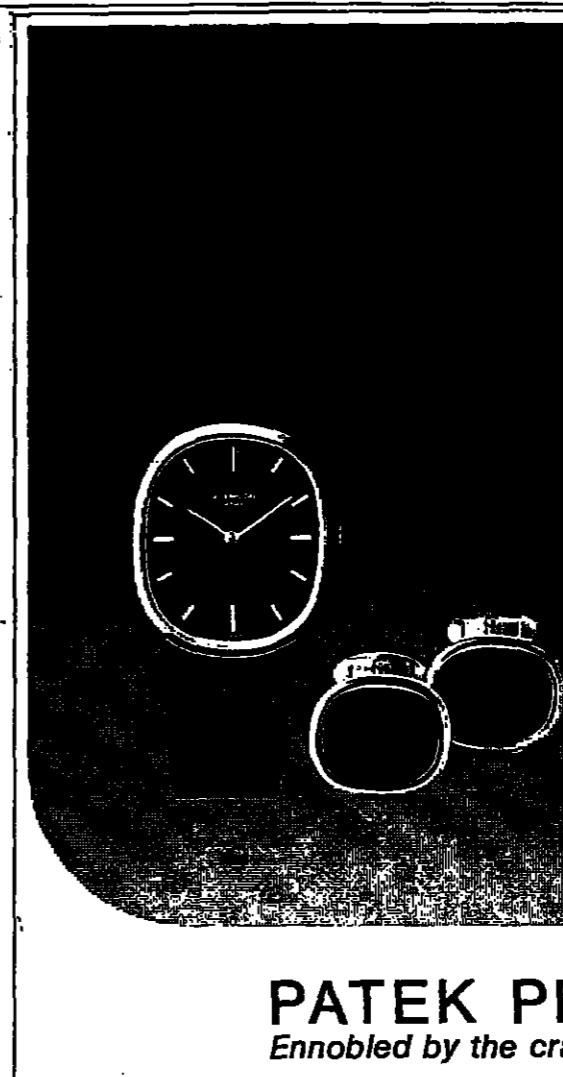
In chic, campy style, the production stalks such trendy prey as the vogues for psychoanalysis, a war hero, an Olympic champion, a pop crooner, a la Elvis Presley and ornate drug-trafficking — stalks them and the U.S. penchant for revealing in their sensational aspects.

A minor revue, perhaps more suited to the cafe theater than elsewhere, "Success" is made sufficiently entertaining by a tongue-in-cheek performance by an alert and agile company of bright youngsters.

—FRANK VAN BRAKLE



Pierre Boulez explains acoustics of IRCAM concert hall in Paris.



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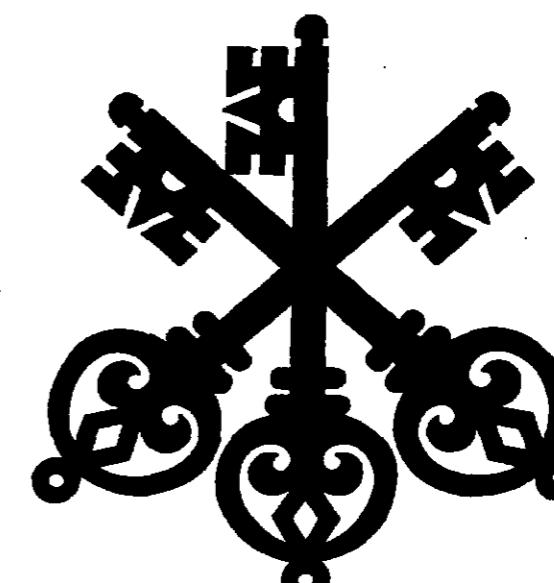
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## FINANCE

### After Touching Low Against DM

### Dollar Gains on Most Fronts

LONDON, Oct. 12 (AP-DJ) — The dollar finished higher against most currencies today after trading at a record low against the Deutsche mark and some of the other snake currencies in the morning.

Gold, meanwhile, reached a record high at the London morning fixing of \$227.20 per ounce but then fell back at the close to

**France Said to Map Pact In \$11-Billion China Deal**

PARIS, Oct. 12 (AP-DJ) — The French government is preparing an overall long-term trade agreement with China calling for exchanges of up to 50 billion francs (about \$11.4 billion), according to French press reports.

The agreement is expected to be signed in the last week of November during an official visit to Paris by French foreign trade minister Jean-François Deniau.

A ministry spokesman declined to confirm the figure, but conceded that the projected accord still under preparation will be "very important." Mr. Deniau is scheduled to fly to Peking on Nov. 24.

Meanwhile, Economics Minister René Monory announced that the growth of credits granted by French banks during the first half of 1979 will be restricted to between 11 and 11.5 percent, compared with 13.2 percent for all of 1978.

He said restrictions on credits on about 180 banks with a balance sheet of less than 100 million francs will be totally freed in 1979. These banks will have to have been in business for at least 10 years, with credits granted representing at least 10 percent of their own resources.

He also announced a doubling of banks' minimum reserve requirements on sight deposits, effective next Jan. 1, to 4 percent from 2 percent currently. He confirmed that next year's target ceiling for M-2

**W. Germans Up Outlays Abroad**

BONN, Oct. 12 (AP-DJ) — West German companies and individuals increased foreign investment 5.8 percent in the first half from a year earlier while foreign investment in the country declined 12.4 percent, the Economics Ministry said today.

Foreign investment by companies and private individuals increased 5.8 percent to 2,723 billion Deutsche marks from 2,572 billion DM. Foreign investment in West Germany declined to 1,304 billion DM from 1,489 billion DM.

### U.S. Company Reports

Revenue, Profits in Millions of Dollars

Allied Chemical Florida Power Teledyne

3rd Quarter	1978	Revenue	1978	Revenue	1978	Revenue	1978	Revenue	1978		
Revenue.....	786.20	697.60	Revenue.....	223.70	187.10	Revenue.....	588.50	550.70	Revenue.....	1,730	1,440
Profits.....	24.90	20.00	Profits.....	26.04	26.21	Profits.....	41.93	56.28	Profits.....	87.75	79.43
Per share.....	0.88	0.71	Per share.....	1.58	1.60	Per Share.....	3.24	4.29	Per Share.....	5.50	4.56
9 months.....	1,770	1,770	12 months.....	1,770	1,770	9 months.....	1,770	1,770	9 months.....	1,770	1,770
Revenue.....	2,370	2,160	Revenue.....	728.90	643.30	Revenue.....	1,790	1,620	Revenue.....	160.40	130.50
Profits.....	90.70	96.20	Profits.....	71.83	75.43	Profits.....	160.40	130.50	Profits.....	12.29	11.70
Per share.....	3.21	3.43	Per share.....	4.49	4.34	Per Share.....	1.93	1.74	Per Share.....	5.50	4.56

Celanese Int'l Business Machines Time

3rd Quarter	1978	Revenue	1978	Revenue	1978	Revenue	1978	Revenue	1978		
Revenue.....	650.00	591.00	Revenue.....	5,280	4,580	Revenue.....	407.70	303.10	Revenue.....	1,730	1,440
Profits.....	31.00	21.00	Profits.....	815.90	690.40	Profits.....	25.58	19.36	Profits.....	87.75	79.43
Per Share.....	2.09	1.42	Per Share.....	5.60	4.66	Per Share.....	1.25	0.95	Per Share.....	5.50	4.56
9 months.....	1,990	1,770	9 months.....	1,770	1,770	9 months.....	1,770	1,770	9 months.....	1,770	1,770
Revenue.....	1,920	1,740	Revenue.....	14,630	13,090	Revenue.....	1,160	882.30	Revenue.....	160.40	130.50
Profits.....	73.00	55.00	Profits.....	2,090	1,920	Profits.....	87.29	59.54	Profits.....	12.29	11.70
Per Share.....	4.94	3.69	Per Share.....	4.43	3.99	Per Share.....	4.26	2.93	Per Share.....	5.50	4.56

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## Waves in Paris: Houseboaters Fighting to Keep Moorings

By Jane M. Friedman

**PARIS (IHT)** — Katia Ehrmann is your average Parisian woman, in most respects. She is a working woman. Her husband Olivier is in the real estate business. Together, the Ehrmanns have a dog, a child and a two-bedroom home. The only difference is that the Ehrmanns live on a boat on the Seine.

The Ehrmanns and 80 other Parisian families who also make their homes on the Seine currently are threatened with eviction. In September, the Paris city council adopted a proposal to clean up and beautify the banks of the Seine by removing the industrial ports, houseboats and parking lots from the "historic center of Paris" and converting more of the banks into promenades and areas for popular amusement.

The proposal, drawn up by the city counselor Bernard Rocher stipulates that the houseboats will move to a "temporary" mooring on the île de Cygne, an island in the Seine which boasts the original Statue of Liberty. The proposal makes no permanent provision for the boats.

### Called Squatters

The report calls the boating families "squatters" and says their homes are not entitled to be called boats. It says they visually pollute Paris.

In a press conference several days after the proposal was accepted, Paris mayor Jacques Chirac vowed he would "throw them out — to the very last."

Although no date has been set, the hundred odd houseboaters are up in arms.

"We're not going to be pushed out," said Katia Ehrmann, a houseboater for two years. "They'll have to get the national marines to tug us. The people who live on these boats are normal families who work in Paris. Why shouldn't we have the right to work and live in Paris as other Parisians do?"

"The Seine has always been lived on in Paris," added Ronnie Townsend, who lives on "La Salamandre" near the Eiffel Tower and works at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Today, 80 canal boats huddle in small clusters along the Seine, hugging the quais and bobbing in the water at eight different locations. With their white lace curtains and riverboat decor, they create a pretty sight.

But trouble began last March when city officials began to consider a plan to bring Parisians back to the Seine. According to the report, released Sept. 8, only four miles of the riverbank out of 20 in Paris remain exclusively for pedestrians. Over the years, commercial enterprises, automobiles and houseboats have filled the vacant spots along the banks.

Chirac plans to give the quais back to the people by closing six of the ports in the center of

Paris, banning cars from parking on the banks and chasing the houseboats away. More of the riverbank would be transformed into parks and promenades where restaurants and amusements would lure back the public. A vaching port at the southeastern end of Paris would be built. Automobile traffic would be banned in front of the Institut de France and the old Gare d'Orsay train station, two historic monuments on the left bank. Chirac has proposed an underground roadway there. Critics have accused him of reviving the left bank expressway project which President Valery Giscard d'Estaing killed three years ago for environmental reasons.

The river people deny that they chase strollers away. They say that Chirac's proposed commercial activities will kill the authentic life along the Seine.

"We bring people down to the Seine," said Katia Ehrmann. "Passersby chat with us."

"We perform a function," said Miss Townsend, who has been living on her boat for eleven years. "We feed people's romantic ideas by being picturesque."

The people who live on the boats are a collection of personalities. They include American actor Sterling Hayden, several journalists and an English baron.

### Outside' Life

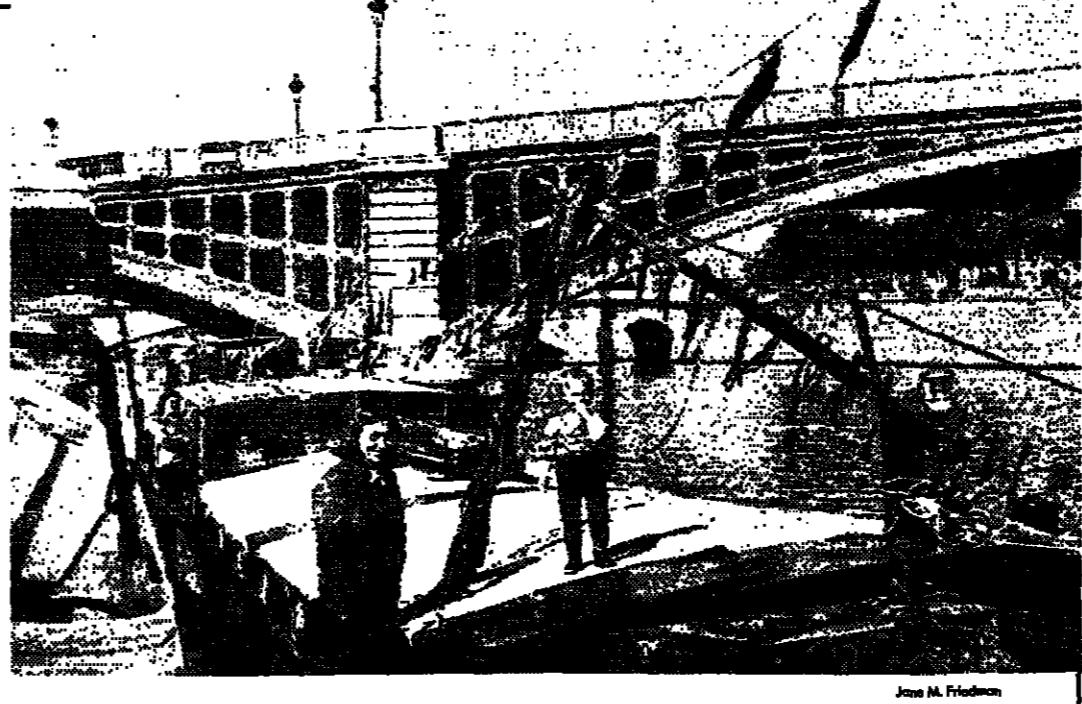
"We live much more outside," said Katia Ehrmann, a journalist, "and much more with the seasons. When the Seine overflowed last year we were cut from the shore and had to row to it."

"We see life from the Seine," said Anny Douy, a 37-year-old teacher who lives on "Alma" near the Ile St. Louis and in the shadow of the expensive restaurant La Tour d'Argent.

Miss Douy and her boatmate Xavier Esselinck, a university instructor, remodeled their barge at a cost of \$30,000. A long living-room is decorated with modern couches. English antiques, a fireplace, even a television. The kitchen is equipped with a washing machine, an oven and a refrigerator. In the day, the sun streams in through three big portholes and a sunroof. At night, electricity generated by "Alma" feeds three Japanese lamps.

The water comes from a tap a few miles down

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Jane M. Friedman  
Fighting boater Katia Ehrmann with her son aboard their houseboat, the Scheldeezoon.

river. It takes Miss Douy half a day to fetch it every six weeks.

In the daytime, Miss Douy teaches. She does her marketing on the left bank. In the evenings, the boaters often have drinks together. The community is close. At night, many retire protected by guard-dogs, though crime is rare. In the summer, they leave to explore the canals and rivers of France.

### Tower Tourists

Miss Townsend and her boat "Salamandre" are, like the others, rich in lore. "My boat was brought here after World War II by a member of the SHAPE command," says Miss Townsend. "The authorities of Paris said 'Commander, where would you like to moor?' He replied, 'Opposite the Eiffel Tower.'

Miss Townsend, who lives opposite the Tour Eiffel, says that she directs tourists to the *bateaux mouches*. "Or I'll call up the river police and tell them a body just floated by, which happened two years ago. And the local tramp sometimes goes

over the edge. He was hauled up twice in the last two months thanks to me."

The river dwellers are insulted that Chirac does not see them as upstanding citizens. They say they are not squatters, that the Port of Paris assigned them permanent places. They agreed to pay taxes in 1977. But the port did not keep its promise to provide electricity and water because the city allegedly refused. If their sites are sometimes messy, the river people blame this on infrequent garbage collection.

"We're ready to listen to all suggestions," said Katia Ehrmann. "We're the first to appreciate the beauty of Paris. We see the Seine every day. We live with this river."

### Floating Protest

The houseboaters are mounting a campaign to fight the mayor's proposals. Last weekend 20 boats, emblazoned with tricolors and posters, sailed up the river to show Chirac that their "peñiches" really worked. Soon, the Organization for the Defense of River Habitation will deliver a petition to Chirac at city hall — by boat.

The publicity surrounding the controversy has brought more Parisians than before down to the quai to see what the boaters are and what their lifestyles are like.

"I don't understand why they're chasing these people away," said a curious Philippe Rolland, who came to the left bank to take a lot. "Boats have always been part of Paris life."

Observers who can see both sides of the argument hope that life can be brought back to the Seine by including the boaters in the plans.

"I don't know what I'd do if I had to leave," said Miss Townsend. "The opportunity to move and visit the waterways of Europe is a whole way of life. You really meet the French, the barges. It's a whole marvelous world."

## PEOPLE: At the White House, Ado about Musicians

Not too many years ago, the Daughters of the American Revolution barred opera diva Marian Anderson from singing in their Constitution Hall in Washington because she was black. Tuesday the first lady will make it up to her. Rosalynn Carter will present Miss Anderson with a special congressional gold medal — honoring her distinguished career, uniting promotion of the arts and contributions to the cause of peace.... In other White House news, the first family had a special dinner guest — "Saturday Night Fever" star John Travolta. Joined President Carter, wife Rosalynn, daughter Amy and sons Chip and Jeff and their wives in a spaghettifest in the Carters' private quarters. Said Mrs. Carter's press secretary, Mary Hoyt, of possibly Travolta's most prominent fan, "Amy admires his music very much."

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In Harrisburg, Pennsylvania Minority Leader Jack Seltzer criticized officials for asking former White House adviser Dr. Peter Bourne to speak at a drug and alcohol abuse conference. Seltzer said the Governor Council on Drug and Alcohol Abuse was "setting a poor example" by inviting Bourne to speak at the conference, scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday in Hinsdale, Illinois. Bourne, a 39-year-old psychiatrist, resigned his \$50,000-a-year post as health issues adviser in July and allegations he falsified a prescription for an assistant.

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The sirens wailed and the police cars rolled, all the way from Longacre Theater to the New York Hilton, with the Broadway wedged inside. It wasn't a mad just a high-powered police car for Neil Carter and Andre Shields, stars of "Ain't Misbehavin'" and Ann Reinking's "Dancin'." They were on their way to do a special booking for the Annual Conference of Child Police. With them was Mrs. La Armstrong, wife of the late James Cagney, wearing a diamond lace cap in the silhouette of Manhattan skyline — the last Satchmo gave her before he died.

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Pierre Salinger, former press secretary to President John Kennedy, has become a "substantially full-time employee" of ABC television as a roving reporter in Europe. He severs connections this month with *l'Express*, the Paris weekly news magazine. Also in Paris, Queen Margrethe II of Denmark arrived for an official visit Thursday swathed in her throat in a fur-collared wool coat, only to find Paris sweltering through its warmest October in 20 years. The queen, also wearing a hat with a veil that covered her face, kept her coat on while she was welcomed at the Saint Lazare railway station by French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing. The Danish queen, accompanied by her husband, Prince Henrik, who is former French diplomat Henri de Monpazet, was the first head of state to arrive by train since Queen Elizabeth of Britain some years ago.

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Secretary of State Cyrus Vance returned to West Virginia to his native Harrison County to dedicate a

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